

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: A8023

Nicholas V. NECHITAILO

Appln. No.: 09/985,920

Group Art Unit: 2882

Confirmation No.: 4569

Examiner: Krystyna Suchecki

Filed: November 06, 2001

For: HIGH-FIBER-DENSITY CABLE WITH BUFFER CELLS SHAPED AS SKEWED  
RADIAL SECTORS

**EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

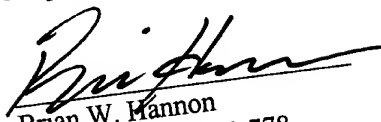
	After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For					
All Claims	<u>28</u>	-	<u>26</u>	=	<u>2</u>	X	<u>\$18.00</u>	= <u>\$36.00</u>
Independent	<u>4</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u>1</u>	X	<u>\$84.00</u>	= <u>\$84.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>								= <u><b>\$120.00</b></u>

A check for the statutory fee of \$120.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Excess Claim Fee Payment Letter  
U.S. Appln. No. 09/985,920

A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2002, please amend the above  
identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A fiber optic cable comprising:

a jacket having an interior jacket surface and an exterior jacket surface;

a core element centrally disposed within the jacket; and

a plurality of flexible partitions, wherein each flexible partition extends from said core  
element to said interior surface of said jacket at an angle that is skewed relative to a surface of  
said core element, and

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